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**12.4301 Intent and Purpose.**

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to article XI, section 7 of the California Constitution and sections 85400 and 85706 of the California Government Code, and its purpose is to establish voluntary expenditure limits for candidates for local office and controlled committees of such candidates. Except as otherwise specified herein, the application of the voluntary expenditure limits shall be governed by the provisions of the Political Reform Act of 1996 as amended, as well as any implementing regulations adopted by the California Fair Political Practices Commission.

**12.4302 Voluntary Expenditure Limits Established.**

No candidate for local office who voluntarily accepts expenditure ceilings or any controlled committee of such a candidate shall make expenditures which, when combined, exceed one dollar for each resident in the jurisdictional area from which the candidate is elected. Resident population for each election shall be determined by the Registrar of Voters 12 months prior to the date of the election by using the most current population figures available, either from the California Department of Finance and/or the Federal Census. Resident population for each supervisorial district shall be deemed to be one fifth of the population of the entire County. Resident population for each district from which a member of the County Board of Education is elected shall be deemed to be one fifth of the population of the entire County. All candidates for local office shall be informed of the voluntary limits by the Registrar of Voters.

**12.4303 Candidate for Local Office.**

For purposes of this Chapter, the term "candidate for local office" shall include the following: Members of the Board of Supervisors, Sheriff, District Attorney, Assessor, Treasurer-Tax Collector, Auditor/Controller-Recorder, Coroner/Public Administrator/Public Guardian-Conservator, Judges of the Superior Courts, Superintendent of Schools, and Members of the County Board of Education.